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LETTER DATED 26 JUNE 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to present to you the attached letter, dated 26 June 1993 issued by Dr. Haris Silajdžić, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Ambassador and Permanent Representative

Annex

H.E. Niels Patersen
President of the Council of Ministers
of EC

Excellency,

The Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at its session held on 26 June 1993, considered the situation issuing from the negotiations in Geneva and unanimously agreed that some of the options as considered at individual sessions are contrary to the principles adopted at the London Conference, dated 26 August 1992.

These principles are, inter alia, contained in the following paragraph:

(viii) the fundamental obligation to respect independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of all States in the region; and to respect the inviolability of all frontiers in accordance with the United Nations Charter, the CSCE Final Act and the Charter of Paris. Rejection of all efforts to acquire territory and change borders by force;

The EC Summit in Copenhagen has reaffirmed that further negotiations are to be based upon the principles of the London Conference and, in particular, on independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Having in mind this, the Government of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina expects the Steering Committee of the International Conference on Former Yugoslavia to establish at its meeting a platform providing for the solution based on these principles, to this issue.

You are most kindly requested to undertake all the necessary steps in this respect.

With respects,

Sarajevo, 25 June 1993

Haris Silajdžić

Minister of Foreign Affairs

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United Nations Secretary-General

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